THE TORCH

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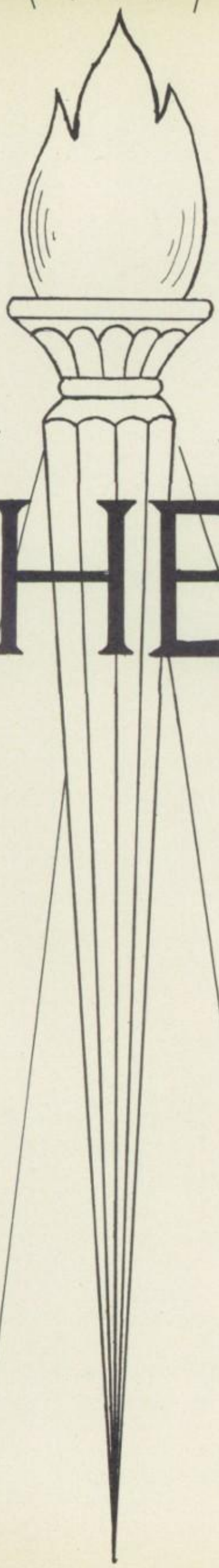
(Karen Khamis)

Dear Karen;
Well our Junior year certainly went by fast. I had alot of fun knowing you. I hope to see you again next year so we can have alot more laughs. But I also want you to come back as a day bird. Okay! Have fun this summer and be good to your Paul.
Love Maggie 54.

Dear Karen,
It really has been wonderful know you and having our talks about "our guys" I hope all your plan for next year work out. Can't wait till I meet Paul
Lots of love
Pat
Johnny



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NOTRE DAME HIGH SCHOOL
BELMONT, CALIFORNIA

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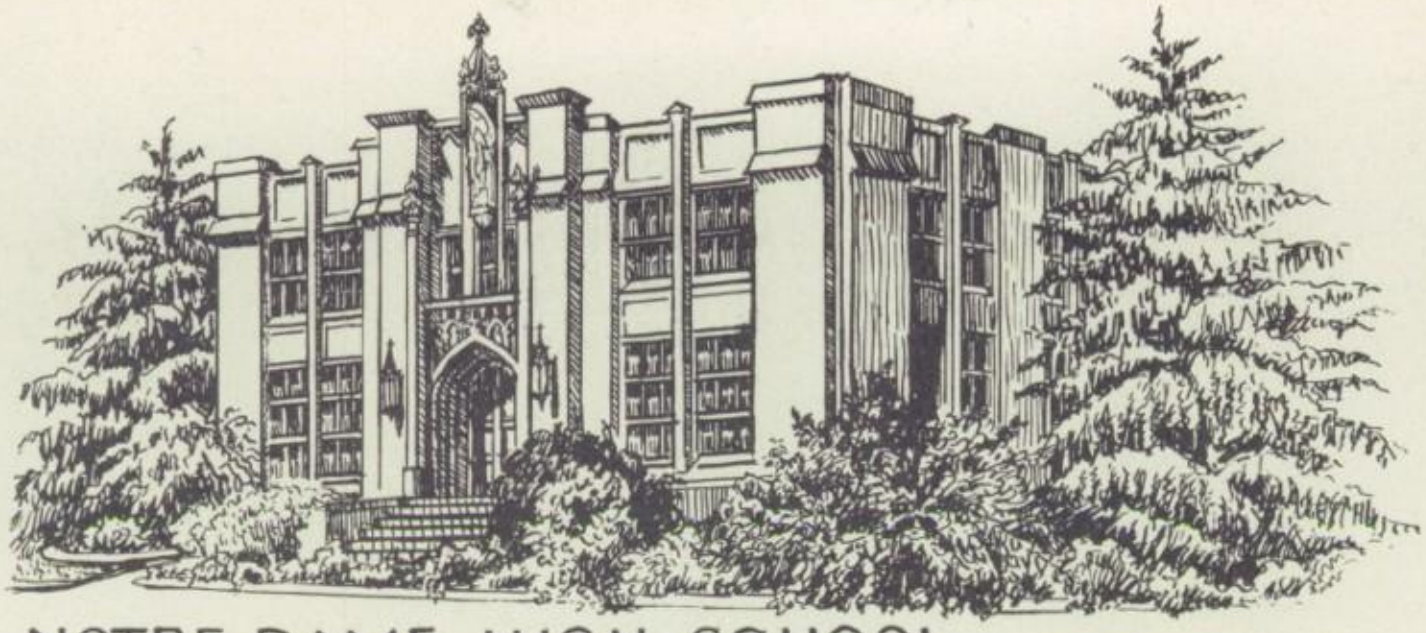
"AH! QU'IL EST BON LE BON DIEU!"

(Blessed Julie Billiart)

As we stroll through the spacious grounds or study in the library at Notre Dame, Belmont, the motto of Blessed Julie Billiart comes to mind: "Oh! how good is the good God." How good indeed, is God to have given us Blessed Mere Julie. Unless Blessed Julie had had the faith and fortitude to found the order of the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, we would never have had the opportunity of being taught by these Sisters. It seems that with this thought in mind, "Oh! how good is the good God!", Blessed Julie Billiart went through life doing much to enrich the Catholic Faith. She must have had a great abundance of God's grace and love to be the foundress of a religious order.

The Sisters of Notre Dame came to America as teachers; their mission was to form minds; but through the years these Sisters have done more than mould our minds; they have influenced us in soul, mind and body by their toil.

Thus, with these few inadequate words we dedicate the following pages of our yearbook to one of God's most gracious foundresses, our beloved patroness, Blessed Julie Billiart.



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Acting as pioneers in preparing Notre Dame's first edition of the year-book, we sincerely hope you will derive a few moments of pleasure and recall a nostalgic memory or two of your own. In the following pages we wish to present some candid views of students in the various phases of their life at N. D. B. We hope to illustrate in these pages their academic and extracurricular pursuits. We trust this first edition of the *Torch* will find its place beside the many other traditions which we have enjoyed and admired during our four years here. We believe that by the labor, cooperation, and integrity of the students and through the careful guidance of our faculty advisors, new ideas will be brought forth to better and preserve this impressive record of student life.

THE EDITORS

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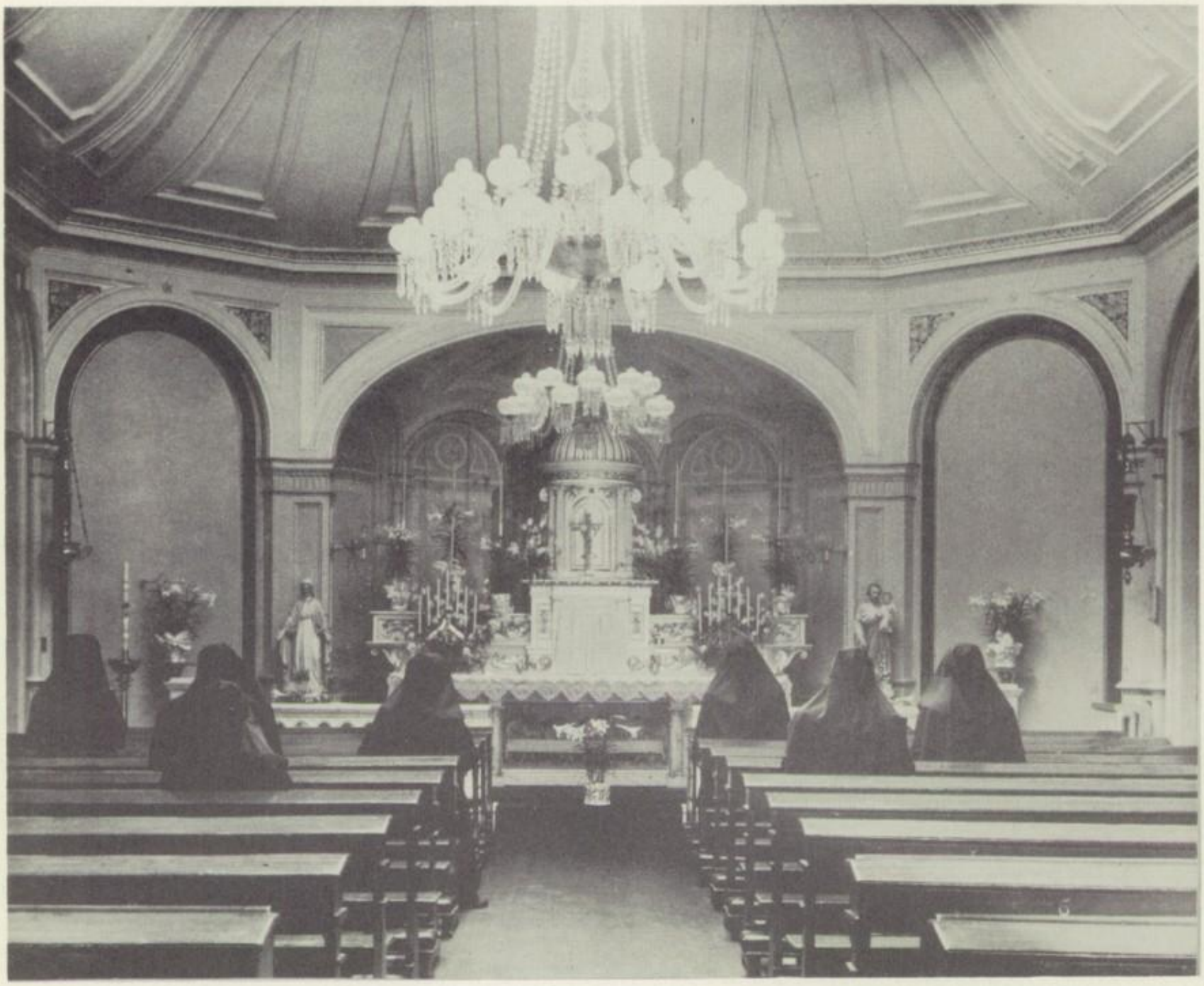

Sister Regina Marie, *Superior*
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Sister Marie of St. Joseph
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Assisting the Sisters of Notre Dame in their educational guidance are these competent members of the lay faculty. They fill many important posts in the curriculum as they teach several of the main college preparatory courses at Notre Dame.

STUDENT OFFICERS

Dear Karen,
You're really been our
"star boarder" & a wonderful
friend. Have a fabulous summer
& Karen & then a great senior year.
Love always,
Claire

STUDENT BODY OFFICERS

Left to right, seated—A. Diedrichs, secretary; A. Nielson, president; C. Spillane, vice president; standing—B. Prato, athletic manager; C. Hahir, treasurer.

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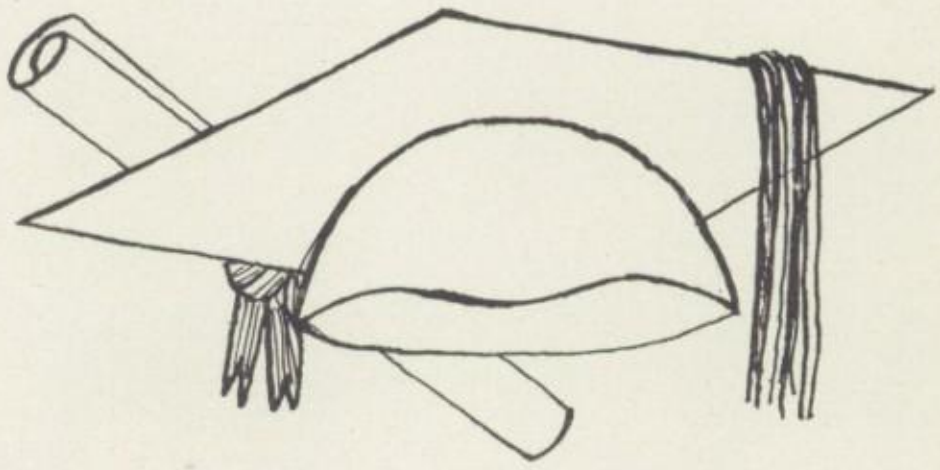
Left to right, first row—M. Mainland, S. Dunlap, A. Tinoco, M. Thurtle, J. Barnwell. Second row—C. Regenass, B. O'Gara, L. Larson, C. McCarthy, H. Wuesterfield, E. Nissen. Third row—P. Scribante, M. Menne, M. Mollohan, M. J. Rockwell, E. Armanini, N. Eilert. Absent—A. Fournier, R. Plath.

GRADUATES



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Spanish

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Sweet Petite
Dramatics

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Irish Blarney
Dramatics

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Dramatics

SHEILA KELLEY
Pert Redhead
Dramatics

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Ever Serene
Art

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Dark Eyes
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Tactful Assistance
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Comical Antics
Dramatics Art

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Frank and Friendly
Dramatics

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Dramatics, Block B,
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Constant Kay

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Appealing Sincerity

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Soft Spoken
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Glee

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Science, Dramatics, Glee,
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Happy Lou
Block B

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Student Body Vice President
All Round Teen
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Celestial Charm
Dramatics

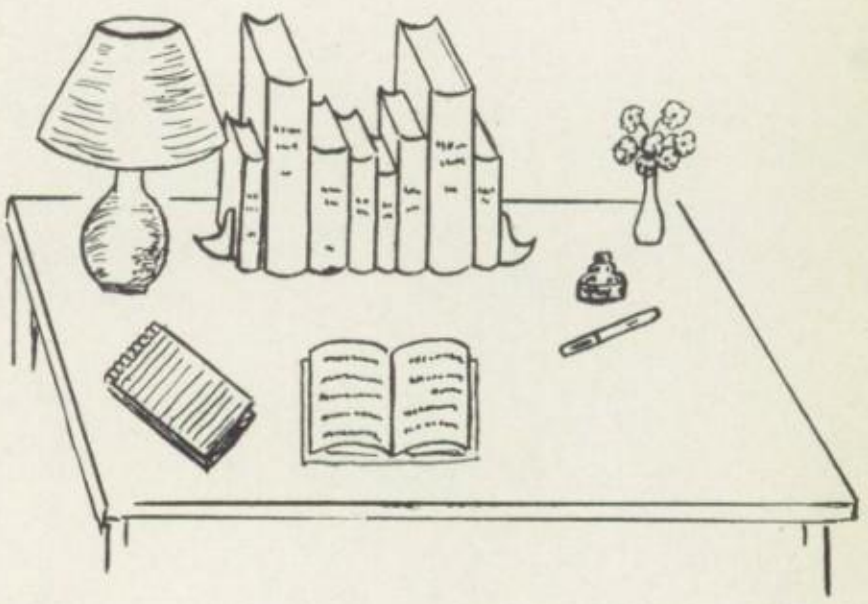
VERA WESCOTT
Starry Eyed

SYLVIA WILSON
Lovable Lass
Spanish

MARY WYATT
Little Dynamite
Siena, Dramatics

Dear Karen, this summer
was fun, this Reiss, eh? I can't
up the Reiss, eh? I can't
wait. We're really a bad
late 4 fun this year as seniors.
we have as much fun as seniors.
lots of luck & take good
care of Paul -
Love, Diane

UNDERGRADUATES



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Treasurer

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Athletic Manager

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MAD SCIENTISTS

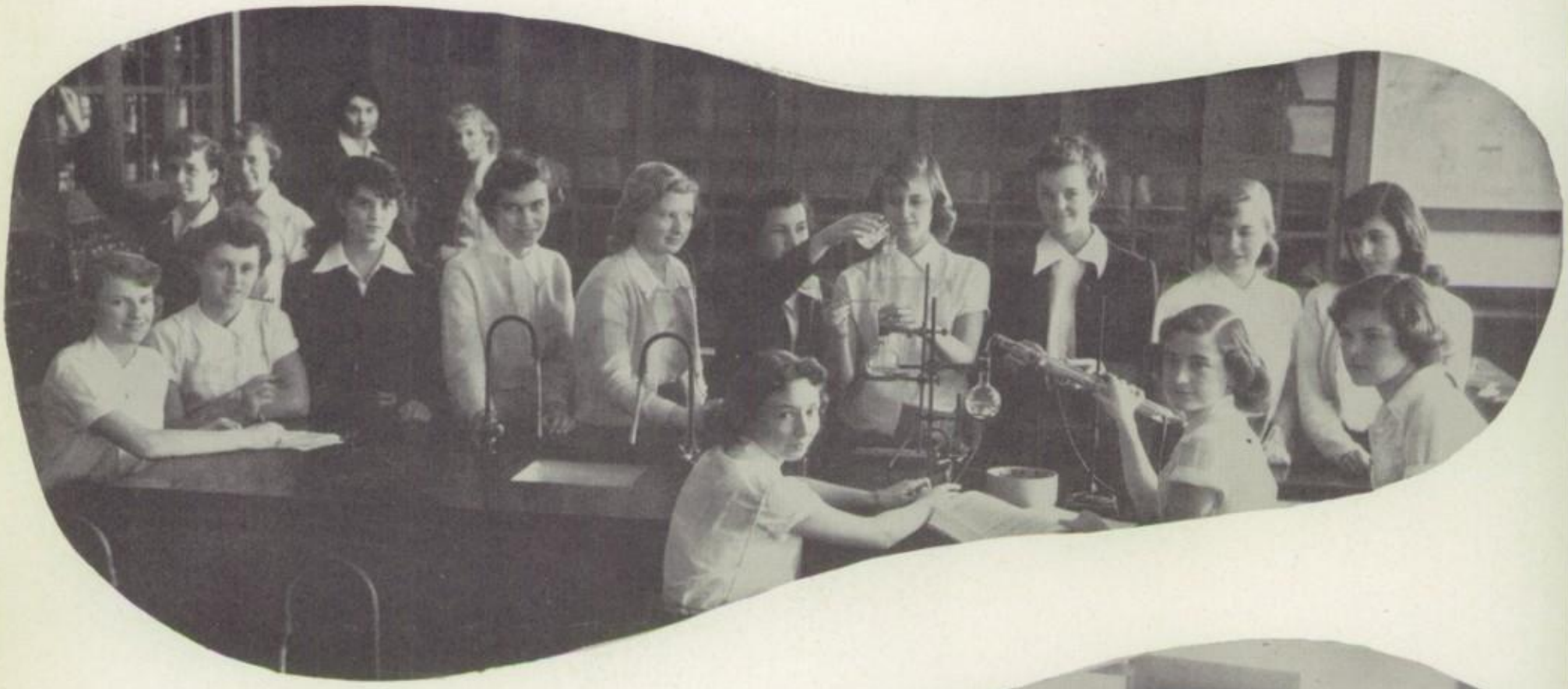
Look out! here come those "Mad Scientists." You are never safe when one of this club's members is on the loose trying to smash atoms or each other.

Left to right, first row—M. Bunyan, secretary; N. Roddy, vice-president; S. Boucher; second row—A. Diedrichs, C. Spillane, V. O'Leary, C. Hahir, L. Roach, R. Bostick, treasurer; J. Burke, M. Miller, president; M. Menne, E. Armanini, third row—A. Nielsen, N. Eilert, M. Mollohan, M. J. Rockwell. Absent—L. Chapman, E. Schmidt, J. Gamel, S. Kelley, B. Allen, G. Cameron, H. Denney, K. Langdon.

BIOLOGY SCIENCE

Ever wonder why there are no "bugs" around? They have all been collected by our insect-minded or should it be "bug-happy" Biology Science Club?

Left to right—M. Mainland, D. Hughson, R. Scharff, C. McCarthy, P. Slaney, L. Bristol, K. Gardiner, J. Dunlap, A. Frey.



SIENA

Don't ever try to argue with a member of this debating club because as the old saying goes, "You just can't win." Time has proved that these girls are well versed in the art of public speaking.

Left to right, first row—E. Nissen, K. Von Emster, B. Maestri, J. Burke, M. Mainland, W. Mallen, C. Spillane, M. Wyatt, president; P. Mallen, S. Murphy; second row—J. Fotopulos, B. Cusack, C. Gross, R. Razzetto, A. Frey, M. Alber; third row—C. Feeley, D. Hughson, C. Loeffler, G. Gander, M. E. Donnelly, V. Lee; fourth row—L. Larson, D. Klassen, L. Diedrichs, M. J. Rockwell, M. Hayward, M. Bergman, D. Raoul-Duval.

C U L T U R A L

SPANISH

"Hola Amigo!" This is the by-word of these gay Spanish students. Talking to a member of this group makes one realize how interesting a foreign language can be.

Left to right, first row—C. Spillane, N. Wulff, president; J. Maginnis, secretary; A. Gustafson; second row—A. Bunker, V. O'Leary, P. Mallen, D. Lyons, A. Bonifasi, third row—P. Firestone, F. Rosiles, M. Moran, A. Lugan, D. Nissen, H. Denney, J. Ferlick, J. Gamel, B. Prato, G. Cameron, A. Diedrichs, fourth row—K. von Emster, L. Diedrichs, B. Maestri, T. Guerrero, G. Pinero, R. Herran, R. Pinero, A. Tinoco, S. Wilson, W. Mallen, M. Caire, G. Guerrero, N. Lemos, B. Allen, B. Cusack, K. Medina, R. Cooper, M. Cuellar, E. Wulff, E. Schmidt, M. Villacorta, M. Miller.

LATIN

No one can say that "Latin is a dead language." These lively girls make this language seem very modernistic and interesting. Scholars, indeed, are these Latin students.

Left to right, first row—M. Mainland, vice-president; L. Roach, president; B. Unger, V. Ulrich, treasurer; M. Thurtle, J. LeClerq, P. Maxwell, P. Conboy, J. Dunlap, secretary; R. Razzetto; second row—A. Lugliani, J. Griffin, A. Frey, K. Gardiner, L. Wallace, J. Pierazzi, D. Perry, D. Malerbi, M. J. Dillon, M. Coffey, R. Spieler, K. Feeley, J. Waterman, D. Fisch.

DRAMATICS

Talk about "ham actors!" N. D. B. has its share in this club, but no one can deny that they've done a wonderful job on their several productions.

Left to right, first row—H. Denney, A. Nielsen, D. Hearne, S. Cerf, A. Diedrichs, M. Wyatt, S. Boucher, second row—D. Harbaugh, S. Kelley, C. Spillane, A. Gustafson, W. Mallen, R. Bostick, third row—J. Ferlick, B. Allen, C. Granelli, S. Maloney, G. Hennessy, L. Chapman, fourth row—E. Schmidt, E. Armanini, M. Menne, J. Burke, M. Loftus, D. Klassen, fifth row—F. Nooney, B. Bruce, M. J. Rockwell, L. Roach, J. Gamel, S. McAfee. Absent—N. Roddy, D. Nissen.

GLEE

Those sweet and melodious sounds echoing through the corridors naturally come from the harmonious voices of our Glee Club.

Left to right, first row—C. Gross, P. Marley, L. Larson, second row—K. von Emster, K. Gardiner, C. Hahir, V. Smith, third row—A. Merryman, M. McKeegan, E. Nissen, Absent—M. Peterson, J. Fullmer, B. Combe, J. Maginnis.

C U L T U R A L

FEDERATION

Literature

Collecting and organizing Catholic material fills the free time of this group. Their pamphlets and leaflets are found in strategic spots all over N. D. B.

Members—S. McAfee, chairman; P. McCormick, co-chairman; R. Bostick, D. Kane, D. Higgins, K. Feeley, M. Mainland, E. Lawrence, J. Nouque, N. Lemos, L. Bristol, M. L. Morgan, M. Haggerty, E. Laurey, S. Burrows, P. Hansen, M. Healy, B. Vincequerra, S. Cunha, M. Klandi, B. Unger, G. Valladeo.

Apostolic

The American troops in Korea can thank this group for the Catholic literature received abroad, they also send such reading material to hospitals. During Lent we are reminded by these hard workers to make sacrifices.

Left to right, first row—R. Vogl, M. Ralley, co-chairman; L. Roach, chairman; C. Regenass, J. Flynn, M. McKeegan; second row—P. Duff, D. Gersmeier, C. Martin, M. Morgan, J. Kara, B. Stewart, third row—A. Merryman, A. Fournier, M. E. Donnelly, V. Lee, M. Albers, D. Newsom, fourth row—E. Casanova, B. Higgins, J. Fischer, P. McMillen, M. J. Taylor, E. Korhummel, V. O'Leary, A. Lugliani, R. Razzetto.

Publicity

Striking posters and class discussions promoted by these energetic girls have made the Federation meetings more interesting.

Left to right, first row—B. Plath, K. Fox, D. Hearne, co-chairman; J. Fullmer, K. Langdon, chairman; M. Whoel, G. Kilby, K. Pickering.

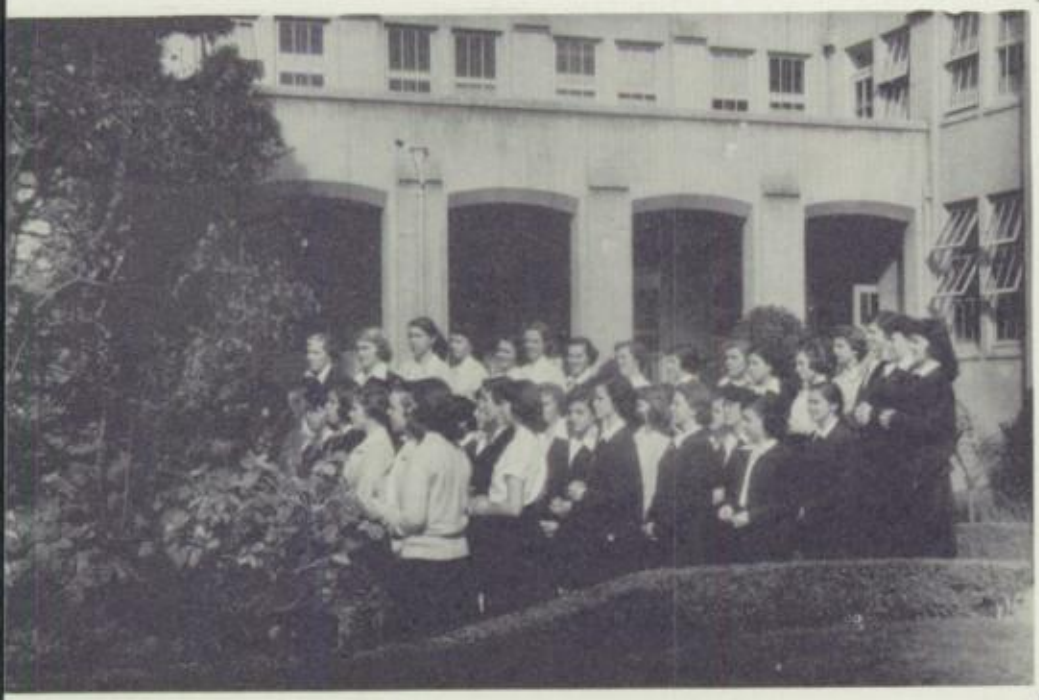
C U L T U R A L

FEDERATION

Parish

Teaching catechism, taking the census, helping at children's Mass and singing in the parish choir all enter into the work of the parish committee.

Members—D. Nissen, chairman; B. J. Bruce, co-chairman; K. Benton, S. Derzay, D. Fisch, M. Haul, C. Jonas, P. Maxwell, P. Morey, A. Nelson, C. Ruggiero, M. Smith, R. Spieler, R. Stradcutter, L. Wallace, J. Waterman, J. Morsette, K. Morsette, C. Hege, P. Hannigan, K. Gardiner, V. Hartung, C. Marshall, H. Maldenka, K. Gross, P. Collins, J. Griffin, D. Mayer, J. Miller, B. O'Gara, P. Scribante, P. Walker, J. Ferlick, D. Harbaugh, M. Loftus, B. Prato, N. Roddy, E. Schmidt, L. Schmitz, M. Wyatt, M. Bunyan.



Christian Life

Forgetful girls at N. D. B. are reminded daily of the First Fridays, Holy Days of Obligation and other Catholic duties by these helpful students.

Members—L. Chapman, chairman; S. Maloney, co-chairman; S. Boucher, E. Armanini, H. Denney, F. Nooney, S. Kelly, J. Gamel, J. Grant, S. Murphy, P. Mallen, C. Donohue, A. Montenegro, M. Muller, S. Burke, D. Hughson, C. Lutticken, D. Malerbi, J. Fitzsimmons, J. LeClercq, J. Mallen, V. Ulrich, E. Cortopassi, N. Rohrer, N. Pennington, C. Trice, T. Conner, M. Coppom.

Mission

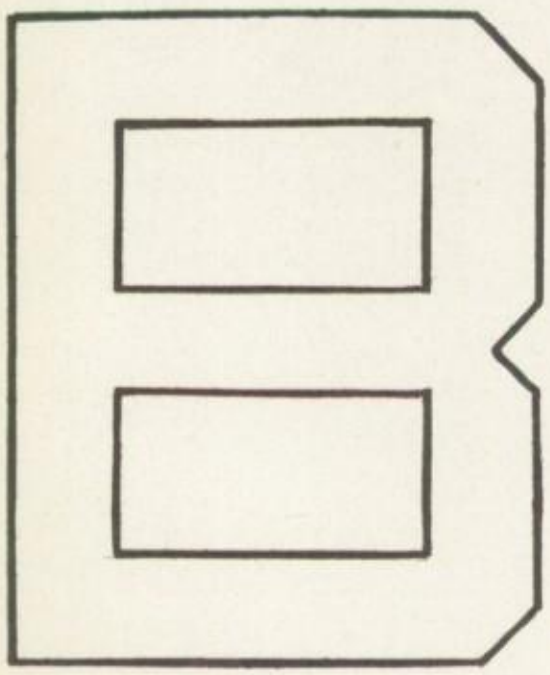
The orphaned children of foreign lands owe a great deal to these girls who are so generous with their time and energy. They collect toys and clothing to send overseas and encourage contributions to the Pope's Poor Children Fund.

Left to right, first row—M. Mollahan, M. Miller, M. Aeberhard, J. Mills, C. Valente, H. Miller, R. Scharff, J. Treher, K. Koster, C. Loeffler, G. Morabito, second row—J. Dunlap, C. McCarthy, M. J. Dillon, D. Davis, C. Cochrane, J. Hunter, M. Thurtle, M. Coffey, L. Diedrichs, M. Baier, G. Hennessy, C. Spillane, D. Klassen, B. Allen, co-chairman; third row—D. Pearson, H. Wuesterfield, L. Larson, M. J. Rockwell, A. Diedrichs, A. Gustafson, chairman; M. Menne, N. Eilert.

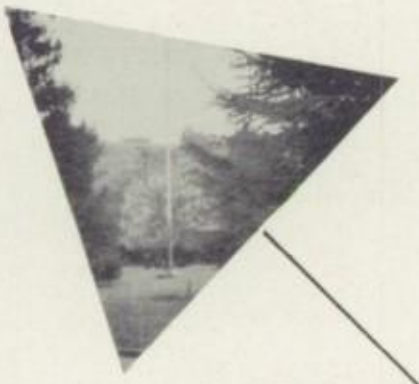
C U L T U R A L

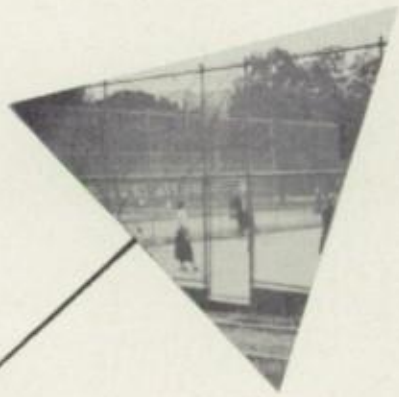
BLOCK "B"

Left to right, first row—A. Gustafson, D. Lyons, L. Chapman, B. Prato, D. Nissen, L. Schmitz, L. Larsen, J. Treher; second row—C. Donohue, J. Miller, P. Walker, P. Collins, D. Mayer, E. Rixen, J. Fullmer, K. Fox, W. Denny, F. Nooney, B. Allen; third row—E. Schmidt, M. J. Rockwell, L. Diedrichs, J. Burke, C. Loeffler, M. Miller, E. Nissen, M. Mollohan, C. Hahir, M. Menne, W. Mallen, S. Boucher, L. Roach. Absent—N. Roddy.



Above is the honorary athletic society at Notre Dame; this group combines fun and school spirit by their frequent rallies and annual barbecue, ski trip and spring swimming events.





FAMILY SCENES

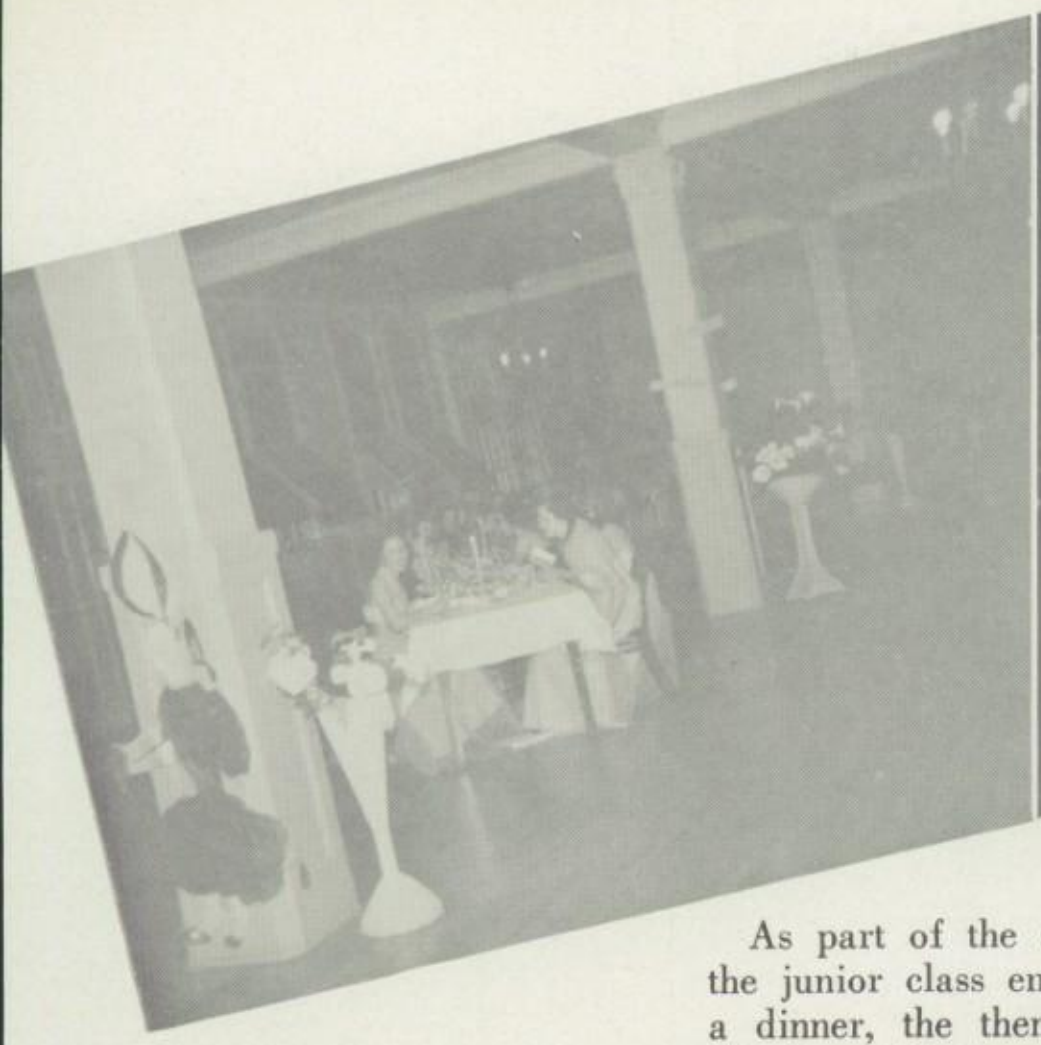
CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

Each year as the Christmas season draws near, the girls collect large quantities of canned goods and other useful items to send to charitable organizations. Several members of each class are delegated to deliver these welcome gifts. All the students are happy in the thought that it is "better to give than to receive." The girls assembling the packages are, left to right: B. Pesco, L. Schmitz, J. Treher and L. Larson.

INITIATION

The junior class was amazed at the unusually fine spirit and willing participation displayed by the freshman class on their initiation day, and all shared both the fun and refreshments served as a close to the festivities.

THE JUNIOR-SENIOR DINNER



As part of the seniors' festivities the junior class entertained them at a dinner, the theme of which was "Paris au Printemps" beautifully carried out in the dining hall. Members of the freshman class provided a truly French entertainment and each senior received a lovely memento booklet. Songs of farewell sung by both classes brought smiles and tears of fond remembrance of happy High School Days.

HALLOWEEN PARTY

The gym was transformed into a T.V. studio. The seniors won first prize for their space ship to Mars.

The junior class made everyone believe that the Hit Parade had come to Notre Dame.

The sophomores produced a gigantic T.V. set, the biggest on earth or so they said.

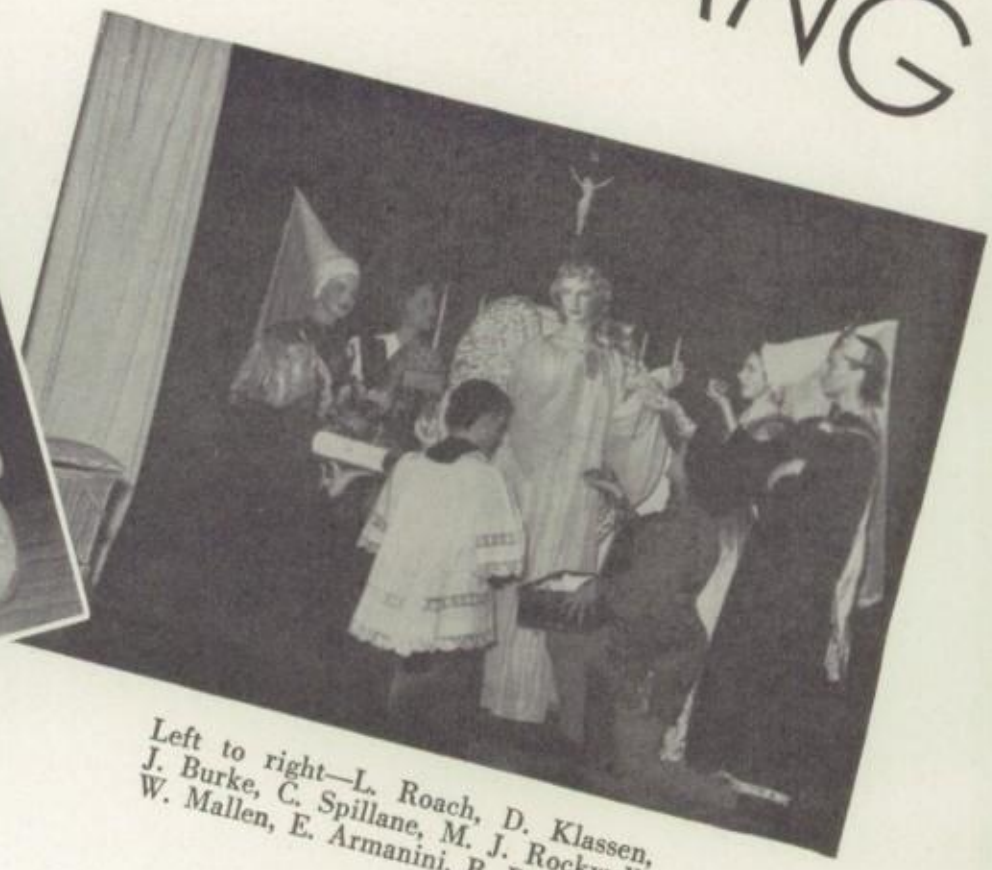
The frosh scored a big success with their Super Circus.

MARDI GRAS

The entire student body attended the annual Mardi Gras on the Tuesday before Lent. Elaine Armanini, beautiful as the "Queen of Hearts," arrived in a flowery chariot surrounded by her lovely attendants Jeanne Gamel and Jeanne Stegall, seniors, Pam Marley and Malila Sandoval, juniors, Maureen Peterson and Ann Cianciarulo, sophomores, and Judy Hunter and Joan Kara, freshmen. After the solemn coronation talented members of the student body presented for the queen's entertainment a clever and varied program. Next came dinner in the dining room, gaily decorated with hearts and flowers, and the wonderful evening closed with a technicolor movie.

WHY THE CHIMES RANG

Left to right—N. Eilert, Holger, F. Nooney, Uncle Bertel, K. Langdon, Old Woman, S. Maloney, Stein.



Left to right—L. Roach, D. Klassen, J. Burke, C. Spillane, M. J. Rockwell, W. Mallen, E. Armanini, B. Bruce.

Ushering in the Christmas vacation, the Senior Dramatics Class presented the well-known one-act play, *Why the Chimes Rang*. A production of this nature featuring the Christmas theme has for many years been traditional at N. D. B., and the class of '53 certainly upheld the customary high standard in the play itself, the props, the make-up, and the exceptionally fine lighting effects.

STAGE CREW

Left to right, first row—B. Allen, A. Neilson, D. Hearne, A. Diedrichs, G. Hennessy, A. Gustafson, C. Granelli. Second row—S. Cerf, M. Menne, E. Schmidt, S. Kelley, M. Loftus, S. McAfee, N. Roddy, L. Chapman, S. Boucher, D. Nissen, J. Ferlick.

Barbara Bruce, Peter; L. Roach, Emma

Participating for the second time in the Play Festival, held this year at Riordan High School, the seniors presented a one-act comedy, *Rich Man, Poor Man.* The setting for this play, a thrift shop with customers of every nationality, offered a real challenge to the girls. However, they came through with flying colors and received top commendations, thanks to the ability of the cast and the cooperation of the entire dramatics group.

RICH MAN, POOR MAN

Left to right—S. McAfee, M. Loftus, D. Hearne, B. J. Bruce, L. Roach, A. Gustafson, G. Hennessy, C. Granelli.

Left to right—D. Hearne, G. Hennessy, M. Loftus, B. J. Bruce, S. McAfee, A. Gustafson, L. Roach, C. Granelli.

WINTER WALTZ

It was really a merry Christmas at Notre Dame as the students climaxed 1952 with the Winter Waltz. Beautiful formals, handsome escorts, and a wonderful decorating job by the sophomores made this affair a big success. How the freshmen wished they could join in the activities—but their chance will come next year.

MOONLIGHT AND ROSES

"Moonlight and Roses," the theme for this year's traditional senior ball, provided a beautiful setting for the seniors and juniors in their exquisite formals as they danced with their escorts in the dining hall aglow with soft lights and spring flowers. The entire evening and decorations were planned by the class of '53 for this was the seniors' "very own" dance, and each girl was a charming "Belle of the Ball."

Federation Moderator

This year's moderator of the Peninsula unit of the Federation is the Rev. Leonard Williams, of Serra High School. With Father is Carolyn Spillane, head of all Federation Committees.

Mother General at Belmont with Arla Nielson and Carolyn Spillane

RETREAT

Rev. Cyril Leach conducted the annual retreat held in the early part of the school year. Opening each morning with a daily Mass, the three-day exercises continued throughout the day with memorable sermons, instructions, and spiritual advice given by Father Leach.

CATHOLIC ACTION

SODALITY

The veneration in which Notre Dame students hold our Blessed Lady was demonstrated on Sodality Day, December 5, 1952. On that day many new members were received into the Sodality and all the members of the student body renewed their consecration to Mary.

MAY PROCESSION

During May, the month of the Blessed Virgin, the girls at N. D. in keeping with the Catholic world honor Our Lady by a traditional May procession. Hymns, prayers and blossoms are offered to Mary as the students proceed through the grounds in their white uniforms and veils. The girls pause at the grotto, where after a general consecration, Our Lady's statue is crowned. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in Ralston Chapel brings the lovely ceremony to a fitting close.

AROUND THE CLOCK WITH THE N. D. BOARDERS

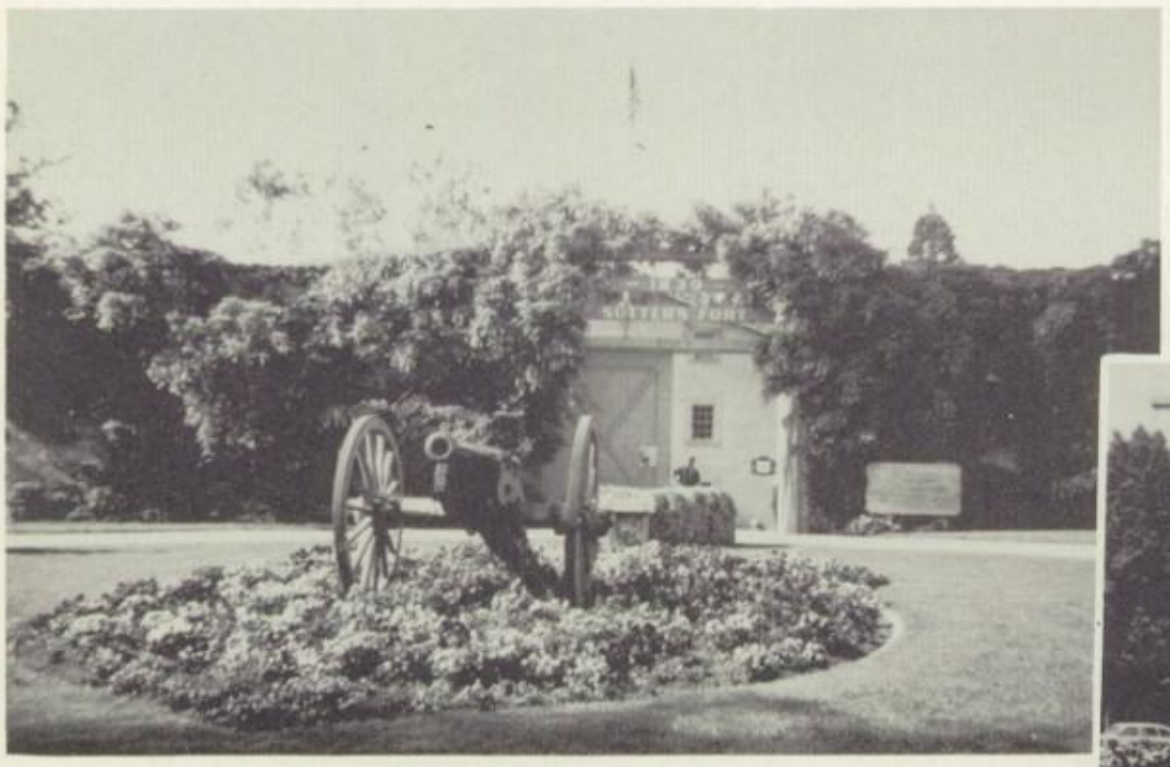
BOARDERS' ACTIVITIES

Sewing class preparing for its fashion show

MUSIC STUDENTS

Left to right, first row—C. Cochran, N. Wolf, P. Maxwell, Mrs. Lillian Prescott, T. Guerrero, A. Tinoco, C. Hege. Second row—J. Philips, G. Guerrero, Mrs. Kathryn McCain, Mrs. Kathryn Burgess.

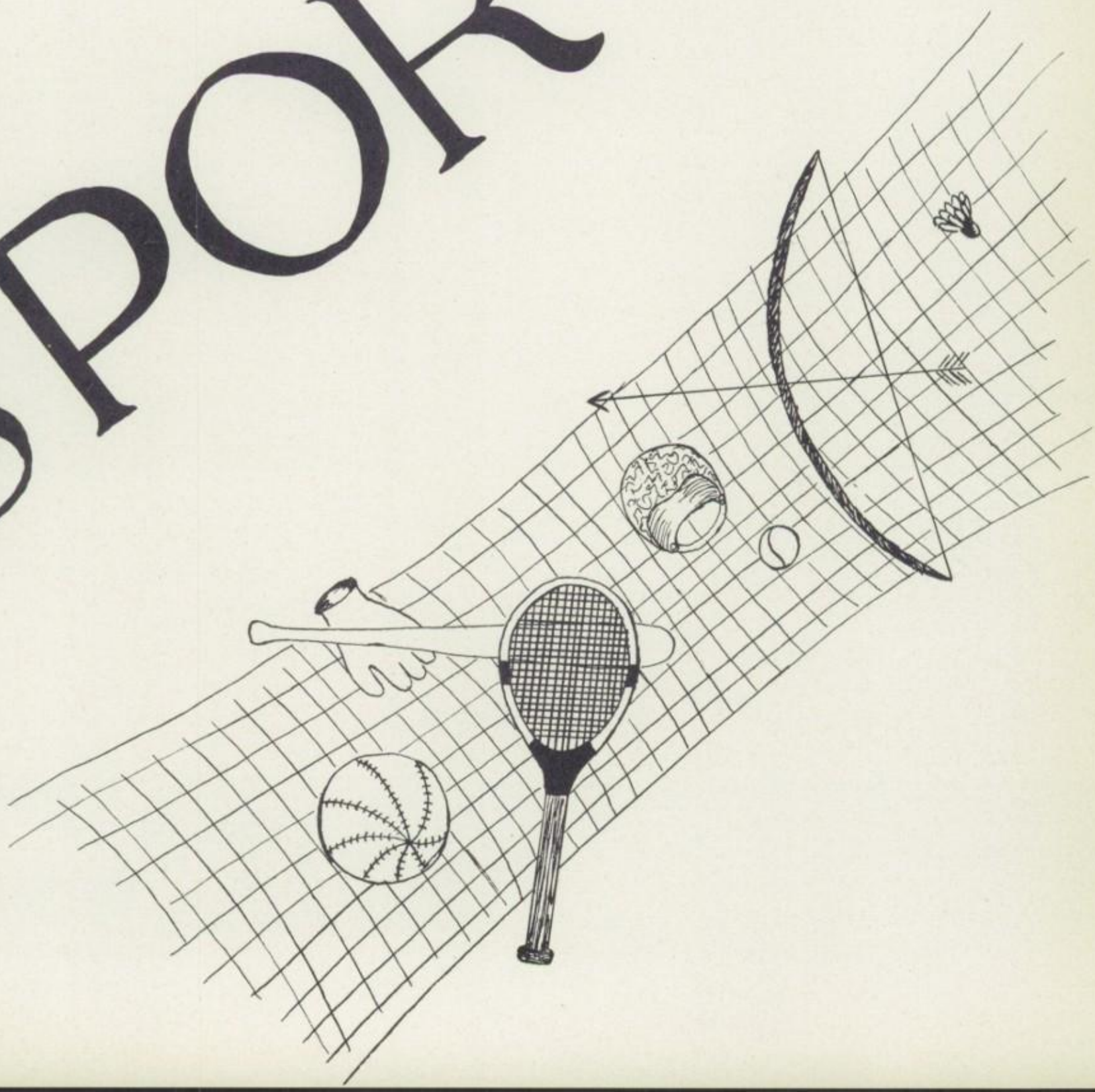
SACRAMENTO TRIP



Sutter's Fort

Capitol Building

SPORTS



SCHOOL TEAMS

VOLLEYBALL "A"

Left to right, seated—J. Treher, N. Eilert, A. Nielsen, D. Mayer, D. Lyons, M. Mollohan, P. Walker, P. Collins, C. Spillane; standing—B. Prato, L. Roach.

VOLLEYBALL "B"

Left to right, first row—V. Browne, L. Chapman. Second row—P. Scribante, L. Schmitz, B. Allen, M. Menne. Third row—M. Miller, M. Loftus, J. Miller, E. Nissen, K. Almquist.

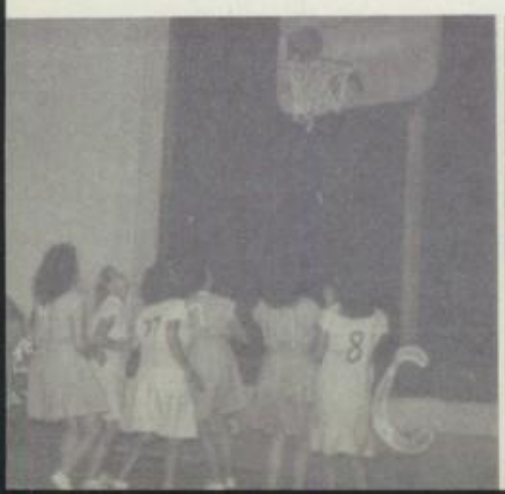
SCHOOL TEAMS

BASKETBALL "A"

Left to right—L. Roach, M. Menne, C. Spillane, G. Guerrero, A. Nielson, S. Cerf, L. Schmitz, D. Mayer, B. Prato. Absent—M. Loftus.

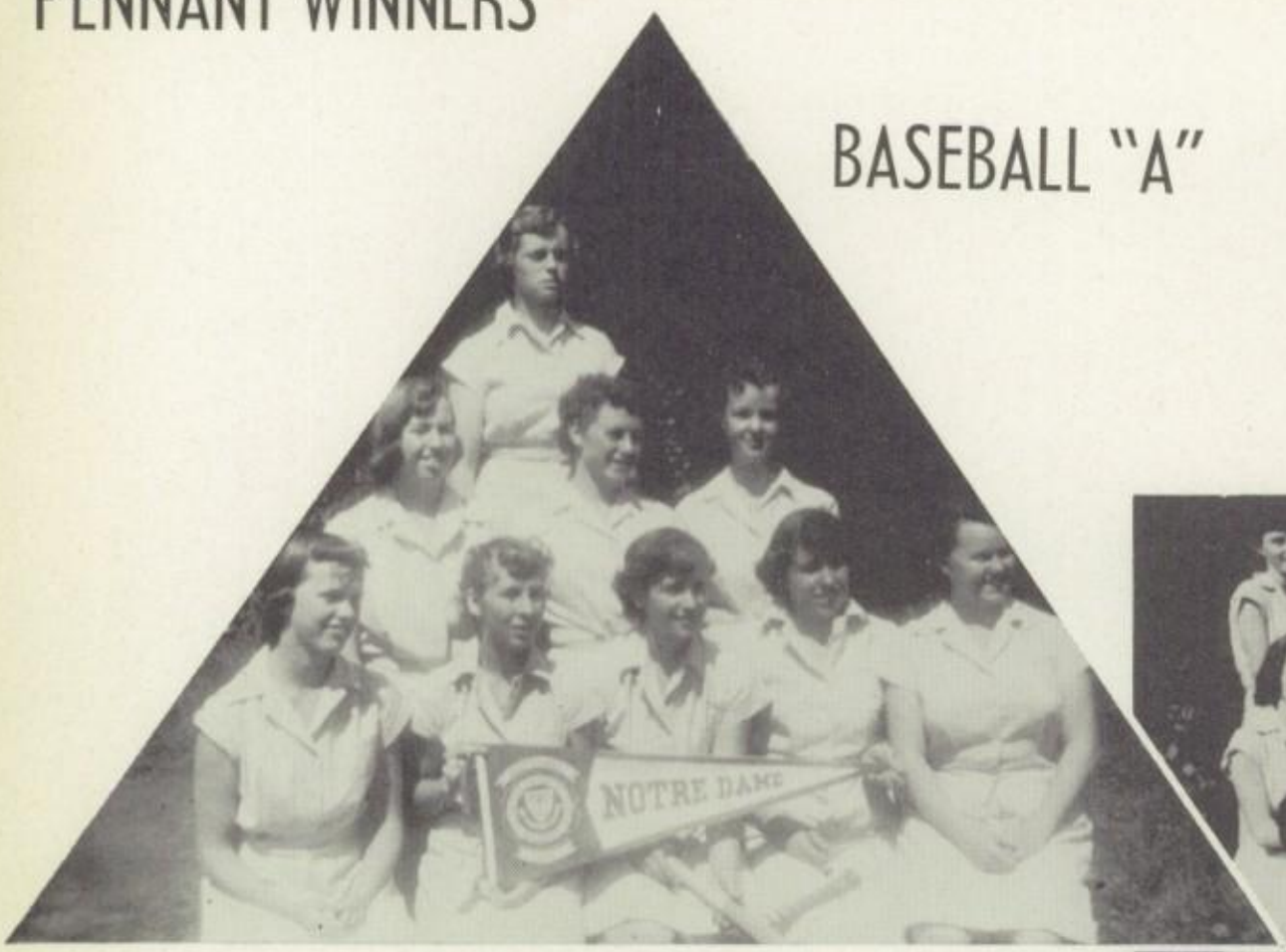
BASKETBALL "B"

Left to right, first row—A. Tinoco, M. Cuellar, J. Treher, C. Nicoli, D. Hughson. Second row—L. Chapman, I. Castro, I. Rivera, C. Marchal, K. Feeley, D. Newsom. Third row—N. Roddy, E. Schmidt, B. Allen, V. Browne, L. Diedrichs, M. Tone. Absent—J. Burke.



PENNANT WINNERS

BASEBALL "A"



Left to right, first row—N. Eilert, J. Fullmer, A. Nielsen, B. Prato, L. Chapman. Second row—M. Menne, C. Spillane, M. Miller. Third row—F. Nooney.

BASEBALL "B"

Left to right, first row—M. Wyatt, B. Allen. Second row—J. Ferlick, L. Schmitz, N. Roddy, D. Nissen. Third row—B. Bruce, J. Burke, M. Loftus, E. Schmidt, L. Roach.

VOLLEYBALL "A"

Left to right, first row—R. Plath. Second row—C. Niccoli, M. Caire, V. Browne. Third row—J. Kara, J. Treher, D. Perry, J. Mills.

VOLLEYBALL "B"

Left to right, first row—L. Chapman, L. Schmitz, J. Ferlick, N. Roddy. Second row—J. Burke, D. Nissen, S. Boucher, B. Allen. Third row—E. Schmidt, F. Nooney, K. Pickering, M. Loftus.

PENNANT WINNERS

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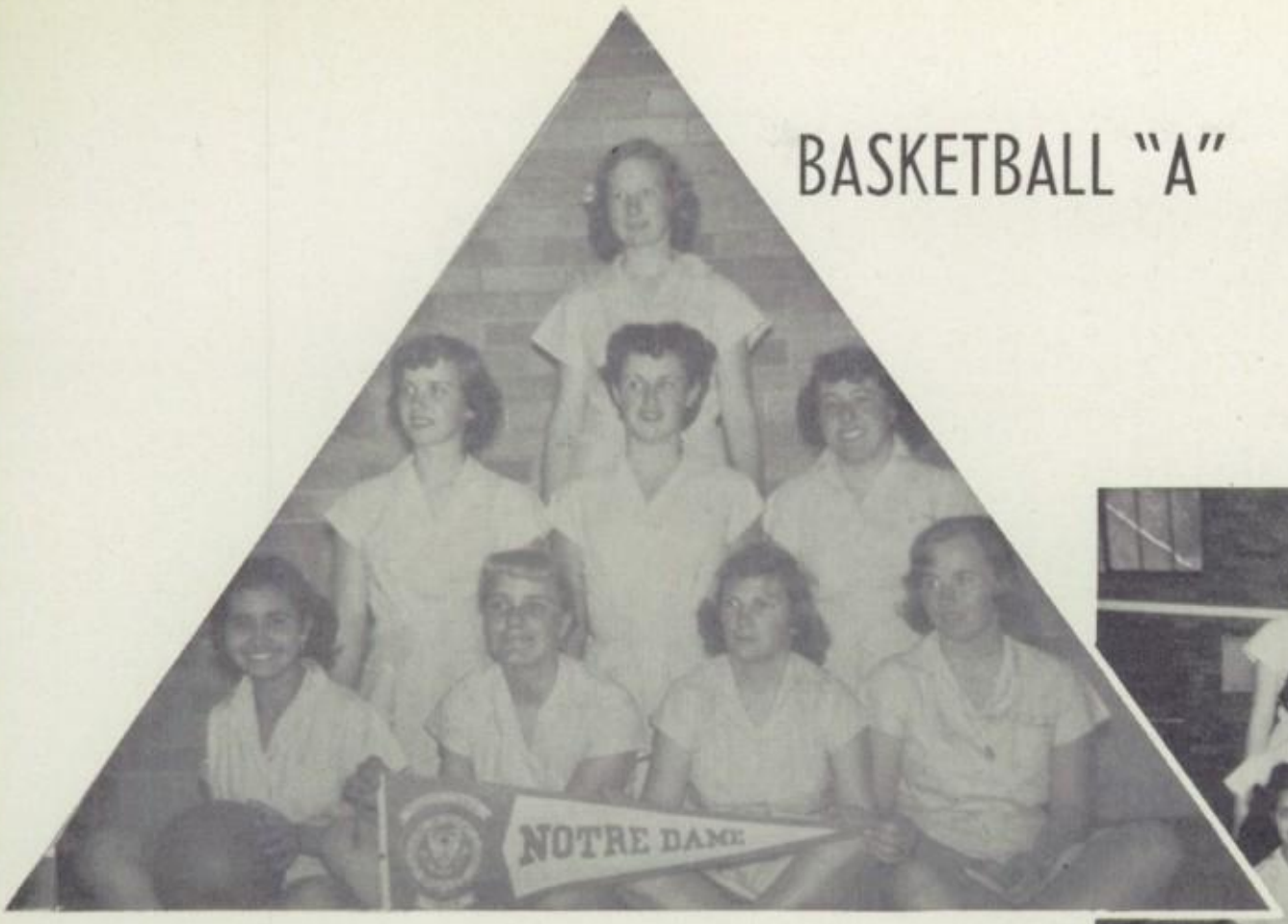

Left to right, first row—G. Guerrero, S. Cerf, L. Schmitz, M. Menne. Second row—A. Nielson, C. Spillane, B. Prato. Third row—L. Roach. Absent —M. Loftus.

BASKETBALL "B"

Left to right, first row—M. Rivera, J. Miller, M. Cuellar. Second row—D. Raoul Duval, B. Maestri, M. Giusti. Third row—C. Loeffler, G. Gander, E. Nissen.

BLOCK "B" SKI TRIP

The girls in Block "B" athletic society spent a delightful week end skiing at Badger Pass, Yosemite, March 13 through 15 and returned to school with many fond memories and exciting stories of the fun-packed trip.

ACTIVITIES

FIRST SEMESTER

Sept. 11—Opening of Classes
Sept. 15—Mass of the Holy Ghost
Sept. 20—Boarders' Initiation Picnic, Half Moon Bay
Sept. 26—Freshman Party
Sept. 27—Treasure Island Trip for Boarders
Oct. 1-3—Iowa Tests
Student Body Meeting and Program
Oct. 8—Opera: Cavalleria Rusticana and Pagliacci, S. F. Opera House
Oct. 13—Holiday—Columbus Day
Oct. 14—Water Festival and Barbecue
Oct. 15-17—Retreat: Rev. Cyril Leach
Oct. 18—Boarders' Day at Carmel Beach
Oct. 21—Dad-Daughter Night
Oct. 26—Alumnae Sunday
Oct. 30—Halloween Party
Nov. 2—Federation Meeting, Serra High School
Nov. 7—College Play for Seniors and Juniors
Nov. 11—Boat Trip around the S. F. Bay for Boarders
Nov. 12—Volleyball Game: N.D.B. vs. N.D.S.J.
Nov. 17—Open House—American Education Week Program
Nov. 21—Concert
Nov. 27-30—Thanksgiving Vacation
Dec. 5—Sodality Reception
Dec. 7—Federation Meeting, Notre Dame San Jose
Dec. 8—Holiday
Dec. 18—Boarders' Christmas Dinner Party
Senior Christmas Play
Dec. 19—Greeting to Sister Superior
Christmas Dance
Dec. 20—Christmas Vacation begins
Jan. 5—School resumes
Jan. 17—Volleyball Game: N.D.B. vs. N.D.S.F.
Jan. 21—Concert
Jan. 27-29—Semester Finals
Jan. 30—Holiday: Boarders' Ski Trip, Yosemite

SECOND SEMESTER

Feb. 8—Federation Convention, S. F. Civic Auditorium
Feb. 12—Holiday: Boarders' Trip to Saratoga
Feb. 14—College Formal: Seniors and Juniors
Feb. 17—Mardi Gras
Mar. 3—College Day: Seniors
Mar. 13-15—Block "B" Ski Trip, Yosemite
Mar. 17—Holiday: Boarders' Trip to China Beach, Carmel
Mar. 19—U.S.C. Choral
Mar. 21—N.D.B. Scholarship Test
Mar. 22—High School Play Festival
Federation Meeting, Mercy High School
Mar. 25—M. L. Hickey Solo Drama: "The Joyous Season"
Mar. 28—Basketball Game: N.D.B. vs. N.D.S.F.
Apr. 2-7—Easter Vacation
Apr. 8—Christopher Lynch: Recital
Notre Dame-Serra Debates
Apr. 11—St. Mary Speech Tournament
Basketball Game: N.D.B. vs. N.D.S.J.
Apr. 14—Clothing Department Fashion Show
Apr. 15—Senior-Junior Trip to State Capitol
Sophomore Field Trip
Freshman Saratoga Trip
Apr. 18—Senior Ball
Apr. 23—Junior-Senior Dinner
Apr. 25—Basketball Game: N.D.B. vs. N.D.W.
Apr. 26—Post-Convention Federation at Belmont
Apr. 28—Pan-American Day Program; Student Body Meeting
May 1—May Procession and Crowning of Our Lady
May 2—Freshman Day
May 7—Fashion Show: "Summer Time"
May 12—High School Student Recital
May 13—Student Body Mass in Honor of Blessed Mother Julia
Sophomore-Senior Picnic
May 14—Holiday: Boarders' Campus Day
May 15—Spring Dance
May 21—Senior Play: "Our Miss Brooks"
May 24—Field Day and Barbecue
May 30—Senior Day of Recollection
May 29-June 4—Senior Finals
June 5—Cap and Gown Mass
Senior Breakfast
Senior Trip to Saratoga
June 4-5-8-9—Finals
June 10—Class Day
June 11—Commencement

YEARBOOK STAFF

We would like to thank the members of the faculty and student body who by their co-operation have helped us to bring out this first edition of *The Torch*, and we hope that all have enjoyed it.

Left to right, first row—J. Treher, Miss Day, S. Boucher. Second row—A. Frey, B. Allen, B. Maestri.

Left to right—J. Fullmer, L. Chapman, W. Mallen, M. Mollohan, C. Spillane, A. Nielson, N. Wulff.

Left to right, first row—N. Roddy, L. Roach, D. Nissen, J. Ferlick, B. Bruce, A. Gustafson, S. Kelley, F. Nooney. Second row—L. Larson, D. Hearne, M. J. Rockwell, K. Von Emster, M. E. Donnelly, E. Nissen, S. Murphy, L. Diedrichs, W. Eilert. Absent—R. Bostick.

Dear Karen,
Well our Junior year is over. [illegible] can't
were really had some great times - half the time I didn't think we'd make it. Only one more year and we'll be the ones graduating, we'll really have a small class and soon. Though we'll be day chaps. Don't forget all the fun event that, the mile long walks for digging all the fool men! Keen; the Sara fountain all our famous sleds. The men's never that Tas!! Don't ever forget the dirty half dozen (3.01x) and that nice long slide down the mountain, it hurt but it was really broke. Remember all our luck and when you and Paul aren't lucky come see ship and me. (Oh how we hope!!) you just came too come at to Antioch and see them on "like" line! We'll probably be moving down this summer so we can get together. Hope all your dreams come true, I know they will. Don't forget all the fun we've had.
Love
Alice

Dear Karen,
but it's hard to realize we will soon be seniors. Let's hope we can make next year the best yet. Be until I see you next year. Don't go in anymore wait and watch that something!
Love
Joan

Dear Karen
Wishing you lots of luck in your future years.
Love
Pat H.

Dear Karen,
Wishing you the joy in the world.
Sandy
Cintra

Dear Karen,
I'll never forget the 1st day you turned so cute & unexpecting - until you got in the swing of the old teaching school. The greatest gal I just & Cita liver, a gal not me. Please don't forget me. We'll phone tonight.
Be Good!
Love, Jan '57

Dear Karen
Best of luck always to a wonderful girl. Stay as nice as you are and you'll always have as many friends as you have here at H.S.B.
Love
Eileen '57

Karin:
It's been loads
of fun learning you
this year, you are
really a good class.
Good luck next year
Ellen Doyle

I hope you have
lots of good luck &
success! Love
Regina

Karen –
Best of luck to
a swell kid!
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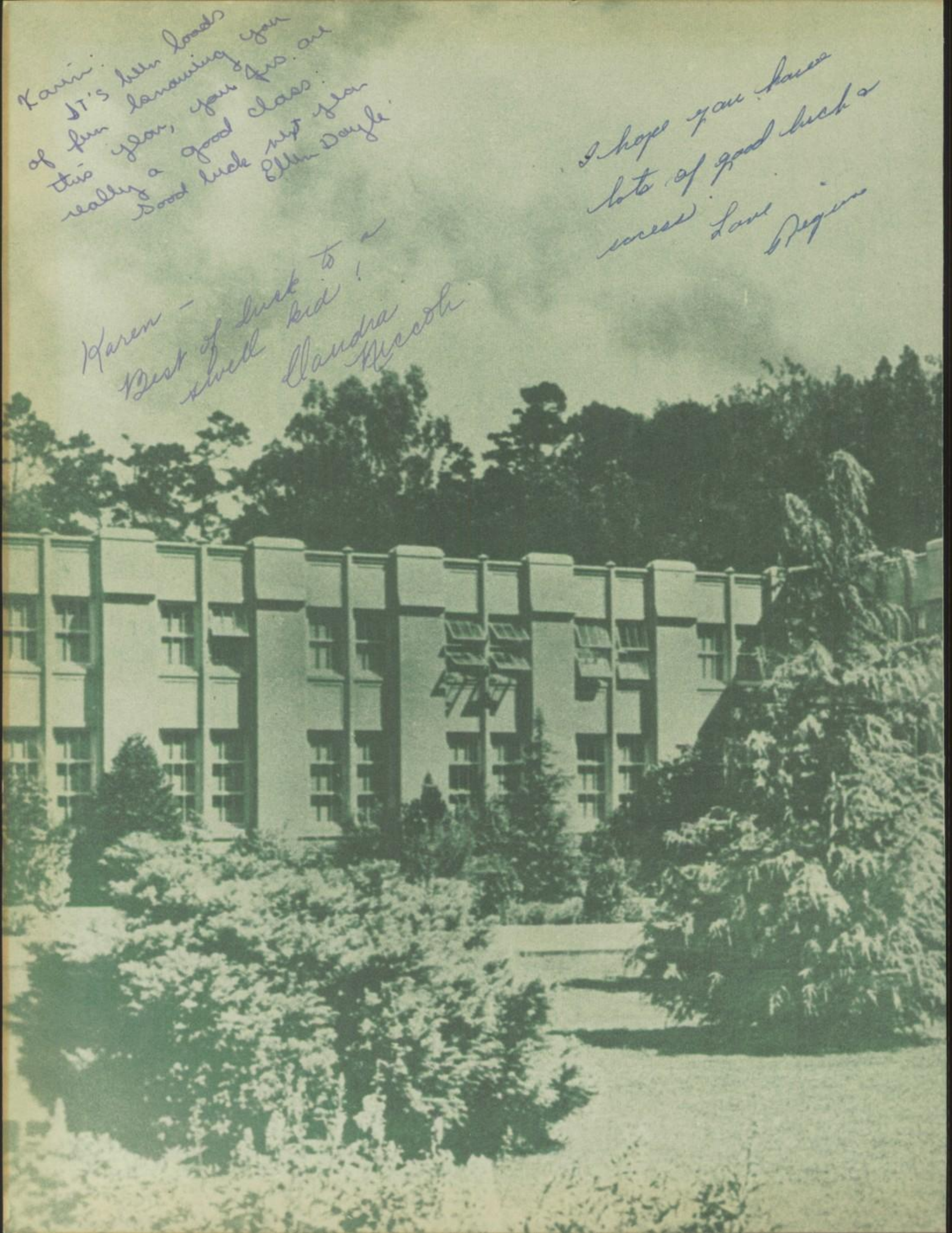
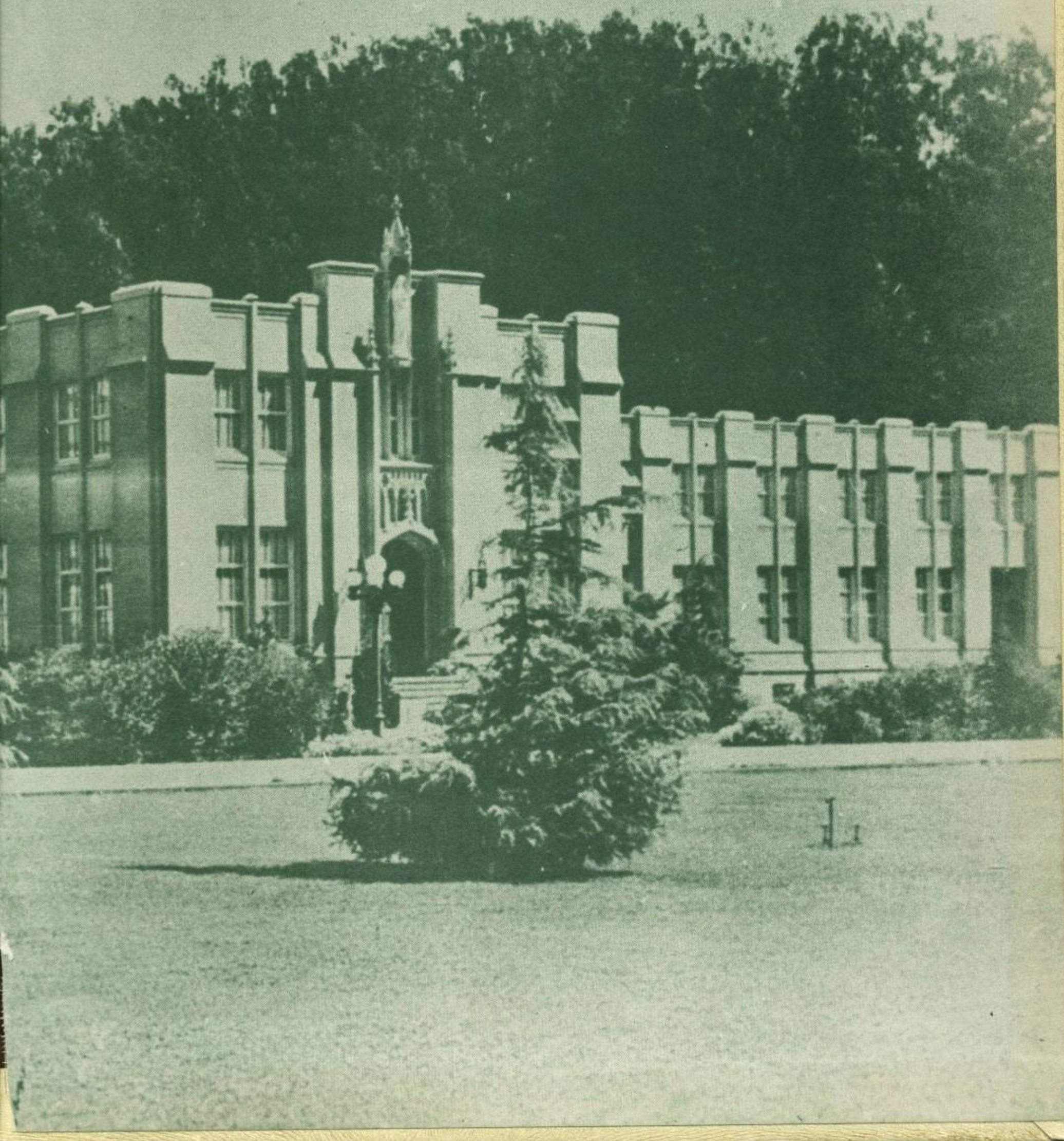
Dear Karen;
So a real
sweet gal! We've
sure had a great
Junior year!
Lots of Luck and
Happiness!
Love Carla